

Need another word that means the same as “obsessive”? Find 19 synonyms and 30 related words for “obsessive” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Obsessive” are: obsessional, consuming, compulsive, dominating, controlling, addictive, fanatical, fanatic, neurotic, excessive, gripping, haunting, tormenting, inescapable, preoccupied by, preoccupied with, obsessive about, single-minded about, in the grip of

Obsessive as an Adjective

Definitions of "Obsessive" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “obsessive” as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Affected by an obsession.*
- *Of the nature of an obsession.*
- *Characterized by or constituting an obsession.*



Synonyms of "Obsessive" as an adjective (19 Words)

addictive	(of a substance or activity) causing or likely to cause someone to become addicted. <i>Addictive drugs.</i>
<u>compulsive</u>	(of a person) acting as a result of an irresistible urge. <i>This play is compulsive viewing.</i>
consuming	(of a feeling) completely filling one's mind and attention; absorbing. <i>Politics is his consuming passion.</i>
controlling	Able to control or determine policy. <i>A controlling interest in the firm.</i>
<u>dominating</u>	Used of a height or viewpoint. <i>D day is considered the dominating event of the war in Europe.</i>
excessive	Unrestrained, especially with regard to feelings. <i>He was drinking excessive amounts of brandy.</i>

fanatic	Marked by excessive enthusiasm for and intense devotion to a cause or idea. <i>His eyes had a fanatic iciness.</i>
fanatical	Obsessively concerned with something. <i>Fanatical revolutionaries.</i>
<u>gripping</u>	Capable of arousing and holding the attention. <i>A gripping TV thriller.</i>
<u>haunting</u>	Having a deeply disquieting or disturbing effect-Charles Lee. <i>Haunting memories.</i>
in the grip of	Currently fashionable.
<u>inescapable</u>	Impossible to avoid or evade. <i>Political reform was inescapable.</i>
<u>neurotic</u>	Having, caused by, or relating to neurosis. <i>He seemed a neurotic self obsessed character.</i>
obsessional	Characterized by or constituting an obsession. <i>People with chronic obsessional behaviour.</i>
obsessive about	Characterized by or constituting an obsession.
preoccupied by	Having or showing excessive or compulsive concern with something.
preoccupied with	Deeply absorbed in thought.
single-minded about	On the move.
tormenting	Inflicting severe physical or mental suffering. <i>Peace from his tormenting thoughts.</i>



Usage Examples of "Obsessive" as an adjective

- *People dogged by obsessive jealousy.*
- *She became obsessive about her school work.*
- *Obsessive gambling.*



Associations of "Obsessive" (30 Words)

<u>compulsive</u>	A person with a compulsive disposition someone who feels compelled to do certain things. <i>Compulsive eating.</i>
crotchety	Having a difficult and contrary disposition- Dorothy Sayers. <i>He was tired and crotchety.</i>
determined	Determined or decided upon as by an authority. <i>A struggle against a determined enemy.</i>
<u>disobedient</u>	Unwilling to submit to authority. <i>Larry was stern with disobedient employees.</i>
<u>dogged</u>	Stubbornly unyielding- T.S.Eliot. <i>Success required dogged determination.</i>
<u>enchantment</u>	The state of being under a spell; magic. <i>The enchantment of the mountains.</i>
<u>fascination</u>	The state of being fascinated. <i>Television has always held a fascination for me.</i>
<u>fetish</u>	Excessive or irrational devotion to some activity. <i>Common male fetishes are breasts legs hair shoes and underwear.</i>
froward	Habitually disposed to disobedience and opposition.
headstrong	Habitually disposed to disobedience and opposition. <i>The headstrong impulsiveness of youth.</i>

hidebound	Unwilling or unable to change because of tradition or convention. <i>They are working to change hidebound corporate cultures.</i>
intransigence	The trait of being intransigent; stubbornly refusing to compromise. <i>In the face of government intransigence he resigned in disgust.</i>
intransigent	An intransigent person. <i>An intransigent conservative opposed to every liberal tendency.</i>
obduracy	Resoluteness by virtue of being unyielding and inflexible.
obdurate	Stubbornly refusing to change one's opinion or course of action. <i>The child's misery would move even the most obdurate heart.</i>
obstinate	Stubbornly refusing to change one's opinion or chosen course of action, despite attempts to persuade one to do so. <i>Her obstinate determination to pursue a career in radio.</i>
<u>ornery</u>	Bad-tempered or difficult to deal with. <i>An ornery old military man.</i>
persistence	The continued or prolonged existence of something. <i>The persistence of huge environmental problems.</i>
persistent	Continuing firmly or obstinately in an opinion or course of action in spite of difficulty or opposition. <i>Persistent rain will affect many areas.</i>
pertinacious	Stubbornly unyielding- T.S.Eliot. <i>He worked with a pertinacious resistance to interruptions.</i>
pertinacity	Persistent determination.
pigheaded	Obstinate and stupid.
<u>preoccupation</u>	The act of taking occupancy before someone else does. <i>Their main preoccupation was how to feed their families.</i>
recalcitrant	A person with an obstinately uncooperative attitude. <i>A stiff necked recalcitrant and troublemaker.</i>
<u>relentless</u>	Harsh or inflexible. <i>A patient but relentless taskmaster.</i>
stubborn	Difficult to move, remove, or cure. <i>The removal of stubborn screws.</i>
tenacious	Good at remembering. <i>A tenacious local legend.</i>
<u>unrelenting</u>	Punishingly harsh. <i>The heat was unrelenting.</i>

- unrepentant** Showing no regret for one's wrongdoings.
*He was **unrepentant** and said that his comments were completely accurate.*
- unyielding** Stubbornly unyielding.
*An **unyielding** head support.*

